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GERMAN FORCES MENACE CRAIOVA

Teutons Threaten to Cut Off Rumanians.

(By the International News Service.)
London, Nov. 20.—Gen. von Falkenhayn's "steam roller," sweeping down into northwestern Rumania, made further important headway during the last twenty-four hours, according to today's statement by the Berlin war office, which in the essential point is corroborated officially by Petrograd.
"In the valley of the River Jiu," said the Czar's war office, "the Rumanians, under the pressure of superior forces, still continue to retire to the southwest."
"Our troops," Berlin reported tonight, "are approaching Craiova, capital of the western Wallachia."
This is the city for the possession of which all the furious battles of the last few weeks have been fought in the Jiu valley, and for the drive against which the Teuton commander has asked and received re-enforcements denied the Crown Prince at Verdun.
Craiova, situated a little to the east of the Jiu River, is the most important strategic railway intersection in western Rumania. It lies less than 115 miles west of Bucharest. It is the converging point of four railroads.
The capture of Craiova and the subsequent Teuton control of the railway communications in four directions would threaten the entire Rumanian armies in the Transylvanian Alps with being cut off from all connection with the interior of their native country and with a flanking attack on a large scale from the south and east.

Pessimistic Outlook.

Such is the outlook of the Rumanian situation as revealed by today's official reports from both sides—an outlook which military critics here admitted to be even more ominous than had been looked for by pessimists.
On other parts of the Transylvanian front and in the wooded Carpathians, stubborn fighting continued without a decisive result for either side, though Berlin stated this afternoon that in the area northwest of Campulung, second in importance from a strategic standpoint, "the Rumanians have exhausted their units, which are of mixed and haphazard formation, in fruitless attacks."
The Russian war office today reported local successes for the Rumanians in the region of Aldeist, where 100 Teutons were made prisoners, and in the Alt district, where Austro-German attacks were beaten off.
Artillery activity on the banks of the Danube and in the Drujda is constantly increasing in intensity.
A new flare-up of infantry fighting in the latter theater of operations is expected momentarily.

GERMAN TROOPS RUSHED TO MACEDONIAN FRONT

Teutons Trying to Stem Onslaught Following Monastir Victory.

(By the International News Service.)
London, Nov. 20.—Fresh German troops have been rushed to the Macedonian front to aid the Bulgarians in stemming the Franco-Russian-Serbian tide which is steadily sweeping northward, reaping the fruits of yesterday's capture of the chief Macedonian stronghold, Monastir. Official announcement was made in Berlin today to this effect:
"New German forces have arrived at the fighting zone."
The official German claim that Monastir was executed in time to avert a disaster to the defending Bulgarians and Teutons is borne out by the fact that, according to the French war office, only 622 prisoners were taken in the last twenty-four hours, though it is added that a considerable quantity of war material was found in the abandoned city.
The taking of Monastir was described today by the Paris war office in a summary as "a vast enveloping maneuver," adding in "complete victory for the allies."
Nothing definite was reported today by either war office as to the events since the fall of Monastir and the exact headway made by the allied left wing.
Unofficial wireless dispatches from Rome state that the retreat of the Bulgarian-German forces has been turned into a "rout" and that a series of villages north of the city have been taken by the pursuers.

THREE YOUNG MEN HURT WHEN AUTO OVERTURNS

Three young men found injured beside an overturned automobile in the Washington-Baltimore boulevard last night, according to a dispatch from Hyattsville, about a mile this side of Hyattsville, were brought to Providence Hospital by Sheriff Robert Garrison of Prince George's county. One of them was suffering from a deep laceration in the abdomen and the others were badly bruised and cut about the body.
They gave the names of R. W. Schenk, 25 years old, 127 V street northwest; A. K. Ruffe, 25, same address, and A. P. Ruble, 24, 519 I street northwest.
Garrison believed the young men were joy riding.

SHIP YARDS BOOMING.

New York, Nov. 20.—Steel merchant vessels under contract to be built in private American shipyards on November 1, according to builders' return to the Bureau of Navigation, number 417, of 1,679,946 gross tons, an increase of 25,575 tons over the returns for October 1.
During October American yards finished 17 steel merchant vessels of 15,491 gross tons, and made new contracts for 17 steel merchant vessels of 7,757 gross tons.

TO RELIEVE HARVARD UNIT.

Boston, Nov. 20.—Another addition to the Harvard Hospital unit, including six surgeons, one dentist and twenty nurses, left here yesterday and will sail today on the liner Andania for Liverpool. This group will take the place of doctors and nurses now at the British base hospital in France, whose services expire December 8.
This makes a total of 117 surgeons, dentists and 184 nurses that have been in the service of the unit since it was organized on June 1915.

SENTENCED IN HURRY.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Nov. 20.—Alfred Culey is on his way to Marquette prison today, less than 24 hours after he shot and killed his step-daughter. Culey became enraged because of a quarrel with his wife over the girl yesterday, fired a bullet at her, and after she had fallen, crushed her skull with the butt of a rifle.
Fearing violence at the hands of neighbors, he drove to town here and surrendered. Shortly after midnight a special session of court was held. Culey pleaded guilty and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

SOLOMON USES AERO

O. D. Bleakley Flies from Philadelphia to Capital.

Representative-elect O. D. Bleakley, of Pennsylvania, the first member of Congress who ever came to the Capital aerially, arrived in Washington at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Philadelphia.
He was a passenger with Sgt. William C. Ocker, United States army aviator, in an aero of the type now used in the army. The trip of 140 miles was made in better than train time, without mishap or unusual adventure.
Because of the rugged nature of the country around Franklin, the home of Mr. Bleakley, the start was made from Philadelphia. The machine was sighted passing over Baltimore and Wilmington, Del., at the rate of more than a mile a minute. The hope of the pilot, however, to make the trip in ninety minutes was not realized, as a heavy wind reduced the speed some time after the start from Philadelphia at 2 o'clock.
Circling the Washington Monument and flying over the White House grounds, the aero landed in Potomac Park a few minutes before 5 o'clock. A big crowd, which had watched eagerly for the machine, was waiting. After receiving congratulations, Mr. Bleakley went to the Willard.
Asked whether the Representative-elect intended to use the air route regularly between Washington and his home, A. J. Macy, of Chicago, who planned the trip, said:
"Mr. Bleakley is 60 years old, a progressive thinker, and I would not hesitate to say that I believe it is his intention to use the aeroplane, whenever weather conditions permit, in traveling between Washington and his home. He has every confidence in the safety of the machine."
Sgt. Ocker had the aero at the provisional station in Long Island, where he performed antics that suggested a stunt dancer in the air, to demonstrate the craft's safety before undertaking the journey.

MARRIED TWO WEEKS; HELD AS EMBEZZLER

High Cost of Living Blamed by Roscoe Doyle, Police Say.

After two weeks of married life, Roscoe Doyle, 24 years old, assistant cashier in the Adams Express Company's Washington office, was arrested yesterday by Detectives Berman and Coward of the Central office, on a charge of having embezzled \$1,100 from his employers.
The high cost of living was assigned by Doyle as the reason for appropriating the small sums from time to time during the last year, according to the police.
Doyle was released on bail of \$2,000 for his appearance in court today. He has been employed by the express company five years.
According to detectives, Doyle took the money he is alleged to have embezzled in small amounts.
Since his marriage Doyle has lived at 1022 Wellington apartments in Park road.

AVIATRIX PLANS NEW CHICAGO-GOTHAM TRIP

Will Try, Probably Next Week, to Make Flight Without Stop.

(By the International News Service.)
Chicago, Nov. 20.—If weather conditions are favorable, Miss Ruth Law will arrive in Chicago next week and start another flight to break her own record of Sunday, when she flew 70 miles in eight hours and thirty minutes and captured America's cross-country nonstop record.
She is content that she can make the trip to New York City without a stop. Her Curtiss plane of the small, army scout model had difficulty in gaining elevation with a load of fifty-three gallons of gasoline, which was insufficient to complete the trip. Charles Oliver, her husband and manager, announced that he would replace the motor with a new one capable of driving the airplane 100 miles an hour, which would probably carry the necessary amount of fuel for a nonstop flight.
The start of the second trip will be made from the flying field of the Aero Club of Illinois, at Ashburne, where Miss Law will not have to deal with the tricky air currents of Grant Park.
She will have aid and conveniences there, it was said by James Stevens, vice president of the club, and observer for the Aero Club of America.
If the engine he stopped at any time within the first ten miles, he said, it would have meant certain death for Miss Law, as she could not volplane to earth on account of the density of the air, while in Ashburne she could make as many starts as necessary to gain the desired altitude with a heavy load of gasoline.

PAYING BET IN CHURCH.

Bloomfield, N. J., Nov. 20.—The first payment on a \$32 election bet was made yesterday when Joseph Harwinkle put a \$1 note on the collection plate of the Park Methodist Church in the presence of Thomas D. Gwinn, who had the Wilson end of the wager.
Harwinkle, who bet on Hughes, is obliged to attend some Bloomfield, Glen Ridge or Brookdale church each Sunday for fifty-two weeks and put \$1 on the collection plate each Sunday. If he should be unable to attend on any Sunday he must delegate some one to take his place. Should Gwinn be unable to accompany Harwinkle or his representative to church on any Sunday he may name a substitute.

HIGH PRICES HIT U. S. CLERK HARD

Increased Living Cost a Plea for Bigger Salaries.

When the astounding increase in the cost of living in the District of Columbia is compared with the number of government salaries that have remained at a standstill for more than a generation, no further argument is needed for the insistent demand which Federal workers will make on Congress for a general regrading and advance in salaries, according to leaders in the campaign for higher wages.
Since 1890 the cost of the ordinary necessities of life has doubled, and in some cases trebled, according to statistics prepared by Ethelbert Stewart, chief statistician of the Bureau of Labor. From authoritative figures compiled beginning in 1890 the following increases in certain essential articles of food are noted:
Round steak, per pound..... 12¢ 27¢
Pork chops, per pound..... 10¢ 22¢
Ham, whole, per pound..... 13¢ 19¢
Lard, per pound..... 10¢ 13¢
Flour, by bag, per sack..... \$1.00 \$1.25
Potatoes, per bushel..... 27¢ 35¢
Eggs, per dozen..... 24¢ 40¢
Creamery butter, per lb..... 30¢ 38¢
Sugar, per pound..... 6¢ 10¢
These figures are the average for the twelve months of the year and in some cases have been brought up to date from June, 1915, when the table was prepared. In most cases they underestimate rather than exaggerate existing prices.
To meet these conditions, the government has in the District 1,800 employees who get less than \$200 per year, 2,540 who receive from \$200 to \$300, 720 who receive from \$300 to \$500, and 1,500 who receive from \$500 to \$1,000.
Were it not for the fact that 60 per cent of the employees who get less than \$200 a year from the government work at outside occupations after their departmental work is finished, they would be utterly

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DEUTSCHLAND RELEASED FROM FEDERAL CUSTODY

U-Liner Now Free to Leave Port on Homeward Voyage.

(By the International News Service.)
New London, Conn., Nov. 20.—The German submarine Deutschland is not free to depart. It is thought she may do so before many hours. Today her owners deposited bonds totaling \$75,000. These simply cover the possible recovery that may be made against her as a result of the loss of life and property arising out of her collision with the tug T. A. Scott, Jr. Deputy United States Marshal Hawley delivered the papers releasing the ship to the Federal custody.
Before Capt. Koenig could again take over his command, Sheriff Tubbs arrived on the scene with four writs of attachment against the submersible. The sheriff's tenure of possession was but short-lived, as the tug T. A. Scott, Jr. was the fling of all the bonds in one session.
There are now \$212,000 damages claimed against the owners of the Deutschland in suits arising out of the collision. In a conference lasting four hours between C. H. Hull, attorney for the plaintiffs, and Charles W. Field, attorney for the defendant, the amount of bonds was agreed upon at \$75,000.
Of this amount \$125,000 was for the Federal libel suit brought by the tug T. A. Scott, Jr. for the loss of the tug. The remainder is to cover the suits for the loss of life.
The latter are brought by the relatives of Capt. John H. Gurney, Engineer William A. Caton, Cook Clarence E. Davidson, Fireman Edward A. Stone, alias Edward Jackson, and Deckhand Eugene Duzant. All the complaints in these suits are identical, and all allege the Deutschland was the overtaking ship and was being navigated carelessly and negligently.
None of the officers of the Eastern Forwarding Company, agents of the Deutschland, would discuss any phase of the situation today.

HELD AFTER 16 YEARS FOR CAROLINA MURDER

Cary Jones, Negro, Arrested on Minor Charge, Said to Have Confessed.

After sixteen years of freedom, Cary Jones, 39 years old, negro, was arrested yesterday by Detectives Stringfellow and Embrey and held for the murder of William Martin, at Mountville, S. C. Jones was brought to detective headquarters yesterday for investigation on a charge of having threatened to shoot a fellow-workman in a stable at 2121 E street northwest. He and his brother, Richard Jones, had been involved in trouble with a woman employee. When Cary Jones was questioned he admitted, the police say, that he killed Martin at Walter Reed Church in 1900 or 1901, about three miles from Mountville.
Jones said he escaped to Charlotte, N. C., where he lived about eight years. He was sentenced to serve thirty years in the penitentiary, and shortly afterward Stringfellow was made a detective sergeant.
The uncovering of Jones' record yesterday recalled a case in which a detective Stringfellow figured several years ago, when he caught the murderers of a Chinese who was killed in his laundry at Fourteenth and Monroe streets about four years ago. While on his beat in the Third precinct, as a private, Stringfellow overheard a conversation between several drunken negroes, on the strength of which he arrested Nathaniel Johnson and Theodore Norris, negroes. Both were sentenced to serve thirty years in the penitentiary, and shortly afterward Stringfellow was made a detective sergeant.
He had been ill and had been taking powders, which were kept on a shelf in the bathroom. Early in the day she took by mistake a powder for use in killing roaches. She died a few hours after reaching the hospital.

Illness of Emperor Alarms Pope Benedict

(By International News Service.)
Rome, Nov. 20.—The condition of the aged Francis Joseph, of Austria-Hungary, is the cause of anxiety at the Vatican. The fact that the sovereign's physicians are giving out periodical bulletins is interpreted as ominous.
Pope Benedict receives frequent reports. The latest at hand says the Emperor's condition is serious, but not alarming. His symptoms are bronchial irritation, a slight temperature, and rapid and irregular pulse.

Telegraph Tips

London, Nov. 20.—Brig. Gen. Duncan J. Glasford, director of military training in Australia before the war, has died of wounds received on the Somme front, says a dispatch from Paris today.

Carlisle, Ill., Nov. 20.—Kate Mulcahy, who served Mrs. John McCabe as cook for forty-one years, is made Mrs. McCabe's heir in the will just probated. The estate is worth \$200,000.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—Tommy Sekora, 11, is dead today as the result of swallowing a penny, which an operation failed to remove.

Punxsutawney, Pa., Nov. 20.—The post-office and store of Mahoning Supply Company, at Walston, near here, were robbed early today by thieves of \$1,200 in money and stamps.

London, Nov. 20.—The Dutch envoy at Berlin has been instructed by his government to inform the German government that deportations from Belgium have aroused an unfavorable impression in Holland, says a wireless dispatch from Amsterdam today.

New York, Nov. 20.—Cincinnati today was selected by the National Social Unit Organization as the field for a national laboratory experiment in social work. Sixteen questions asked for the honor. Among these were Washington, Baltimore, and Newark.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 20.—Speaker Champ Clark asserted today that the Democrats would control the next House of Representatives. "I think the Democrats have a majority of one, two, or three besides the six independents," he said.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 20.—The National W. C. T. U. convention this afternoon decided to appeal to President Wilson to stop the sale of liquor to soldiers and militiamen camped on the border.

Towanda, Pa., Nov. 20.—Timothy E. Bride, 47, a rich farmer in Asylum township, died soon after being struck in the stomach by a pitchfork handle. The tines of the fork were caught in a hay press belt, and the fork was hurled around, striking Mr. Bride in the stomach.

London, Nov. 20.—Advance of a half penny in American cotton and three half pence in Egyptian cotton today occasioned temporary suspension of business on the Manchester Exchange.

Muncie, Ind., Nov. 20.—The Whitley Malleable Iron and Steel Works, one of the large factories in Eastern Indiana, was destroyed by fire early today, causing a loss estimated at from \$250,000 to \$300,000.

London, Nov. 20.—A Reuters dispatch from Wellington, New Zealand, says the export of wool has been prohibited.

Berlin, Nov. 20.—Warsaw University has opened a series of lectures to prepare Poles for higher Polish administrative offices, says the Overseas News Agency. Of the 40 applications, 100 persons were admitted.

Bridgetown, Conn., Nov. 20.—Following an explosion that set fire to her clothing and to inflammable material hanging over the kitchen range when she attempted to light a fire with kerosene, two children of Mrs. Anna Baze, of Kings Highway, were fatally burned.

Vienna, Nov. 20.—Count Adam Tarnowski von Tarnow, new Austro-Hungarian ambassador to the United States, will leave for America December 16 with a retinue of 10 persons, including the Countess.

Columbus, O., Nov. 20.—W. O. Van Houten, one of the Union soldiers of the band that captured Jefferson Davis at Irwinville, Ga., at the end of the Civil War, is dead here and will be buried in Hilliard Cemetery, of which he was superintendent for more than 20 years.

U. S. TO FORCE BORDER PEACE

Carranza Must Protect, or Face Intervention.

(By the International News Service.)
Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 20.—The American delegates of the Mexican Peace Commission decided this afternoon to force Carranza to terms. They determined, it is said, upon two alternative plans. Either the first chief must protect the border or the United States will clean up Mexico.

At the meeting of the American envoys Secretary of the Interior Lane told of his conference Sunday with President Wilson. Mr. Lane had just arrived from Washington. He said the President completely approved of the stand taken by the United States commissioners and urged that the American demands be presented to the Mexicans in the form of an ultimatum.

"The United States government can consent to the withdrawal of its troops from Mexico only on these conditions: Mexico must assume full responsibility for preventing Mexican attacks upon American territory along the border."

"Mexico must make good Carranza's promise to 'destroy or isolate' Villa and other bandits who threaten the American frontier."

"Mexico must not and cannot expect any apology from the United States for sending any army in pursuit of outlaws who have invaded the United States and murdered citizens."

"Mexico must abandon the idea of a neutral zone extending fifty or more miles on either side of the international line where the troops of the United States and Mexico might co-operate. Such a scheme would shift from Mexico to the United States the responsibility of keeping Mexican outlaws in Mexico."

Secretary Lane and his fellow commissioners will also return to the Mexicans their counter-plan as unacceptable.

UNSECURED WAR LOAN MEETS NO OBSTACLE

President Said to Be Favorable to Morgan Firm's Proposal.

It was admitted at the White House yesterday that the purpose of the conference obtained by H. P. Davidson, of J. P. Morgan and Company, with President Wilson last Saturday concerned another huge loan to England and the allies.

Mr. Davidson, it is said, desired to learn if the government would approve such a loan without security. He is understood to have repeated the assertion he made in Chicago two weeks ago, that unless the allies were given sufficient money to continue the war successfully the financial equilibrium of the world would not be maintained.

President Wilson has made no statement concerning the conference, but individuals who have daily access to the White House say he will not oppose the plan. State Department and Treasury officials are studying the situation.

Mr. Davidson is understood to have told President Wilson that his recent investigations in Europe convinced him it was not only necessary, but safe to give the allies the additional money they need, without even a scrap of paper as security.

Additional evidence that the administration is not adverse to giving financial aid to the allies is found in a recent commerce report. The publication, issued last Saturday, the date of Mr. Davidson's visit to the White House, read like a prospectus of Russian securities. Ten pages were devoted to tables which listed every form of security now in the market of that country as "attractive to investors."

HITS SEX LITERATURE.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—Drink, immoral amusement, sensational sex books, and a host of other evils are the principal temptations of youth catalogued by Bishop Samuel Fallows, of the Reformed Episcopal Church, in commenting on a list of temptations compiled in New York by Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, and others.
"The loose moral attitude of young women is the greatest temptation to young men," said Mrs. D. Harry Hammer, social worker. "The unchaperoned condition is appalling."

SHOOTS GIRL; KILLS SELF.

Alliance, Ohio, Nov. 20.—About to be captured by a posse of enraged farmers, Ralph Poto, 22, who early today shot and seriously wounded his sweetheart, Mabel Austin, turned his revolver on himself. He fired three bullets into his breast and is believed to be dying.

Poto escaped from the scene of the Austin shooting on his motorcycle. Farmers quickly came upon him when his gasoline gave out. Poto shot the girl when she told him she could not go with him any longer because of her father's objections.

NEGRO ROBS GIRL

Hold-Up Man Injures Woman and Escapes with Purse.

Within a block of her home, Miss Mary Shumate, a 19-year-old girl, was assaulted and robbed by an unidentified negro at Sixth and G streets early last night. The negro attempted to force a diamond ring from the half-choked woman's finger, but was frightened off by her cries for help.

Miss Shumate, whose father, George Shumate, conducts a dairy at 622 F street southwest, had been visiting friends in G street and started home about 9:30 o'clock. A negro church and a frame dwelling front on Sixth street near G street, with an alleyway between, and as the young woman passed this point her assailant leaped at her.

The negro clutched her throat in one hand as she struggled with the other to tear the ring from her finger. She screamed from the man's grasp and her piercing shrieks aroused the neighborhood. The negro seized the girl's pocketbook, ran out Sixth street and then up F street, where he disappeared.

Miss Shumate was carried to her home and placed in the care of the family physician. There were scars on her neck, the flesh was torn from her ring finger, and she was hysterical. The only description she could give of her assailant was that he was a powerful, dark visaged negro. His face was cut by her finger nails.

Police of the Fourth precinct reported the hold-up to headquarters and every available man from Central Office was sent to the scene.

Early this morning no trace of the foot-ped collector was found.

Miss Shumate had been given \$30 yesterday afternoon to purchase a dress. She returned from the shopping district for supper and told her parents she had not found what she wanted. Her father told her to keep the money. She had \$25 in her pocketbook when she went visiting. The thief got this sum.

The crime of last night is the third attack on a woman within a week. A week ago Annie M. Schenck was assaulted unconscious in Kalorama road northwest and the next day Alice Tilgman, a domestic, was assaulted and robbed at Thirtieth and Porter streets northwest. So far none of the highwaymen has been located.

HITS PATRONAGE BASIS OF CUSTOMS SERVICE

Chief of Department Says Efficiency Steadily Has Degenerated.

(By the International News Service.)
New York, Nov. 20.—The present customs service was attacked today as a department of political patronage instead of merit, by the chief of the service, speaking at the fourth annual conference of customs officers here.

Mr. Halstead maintained that under the present system of appointments by the President, the efficiency of the service had degenerated in some parts to "from zero to 80 per cent."

He advocated the abolition of naval officers in the service, and declared that the "colored men, bachelors and surveyors should be put under civil service."

"I am sorry to say," declared the speaker, "that there are those in the service who appear at their offices only on pay day."

LABOR COUNCIL ACTS TODAY ON 8-HOUR LAW

Federation Delegates Will Hear Brother- hood Chiefs and Outline Plans.

(By the International News Service.)
Baltimore, Md., Nov. 20.—With every indication pointing to a love feast, the heads of the four great railroad brotherhoods are expected to arrive in Baltimore tomorrow for a vote of confidence in whatever action they see fit to take in the impending eight-hour crisis. That the American Federation of Labor will give them this vote of confidence seems little doubt tonight.

Old differences have been shown to the background, leaders here say, and it will be a solid front that organized labor will present to opponents of the eight-hour day. The only uncertainty in the matter is what form the federation's endorsement will take.

President Gompers and the "royal family," as members of his administration are known, are theoretically opposed to a universal eight-hour day by national legislation. Gompers holds that Congress can just as easily take it away as grant it.

But in this he is opposed strongly by the most powerful organizations in his federation—the miners, machinists, and garment workers—and so strong are they that they will override his objections and endorse the brotherhoods unequivocally.

The federation late today took a slap at the Massachusetts Supreme Court for its famous "labor is property" decision. The executive council advised that labor everywhere glare at the decision "what ever the consequences."

SAYS HE WAS FAKE WOOL.

Pottsville, Pa., Nov. 20.—Evidence that Daniel Schaller, of Arwingsburg, conducted an extensive fake matrimonial agency in this city has been produced by Postal Inspector Valentine Schoenberger, and will be used against Schaller at his trial in Philadelphia next month.

Schaller, it is alleged, represented himself to his victims as "a young and beautiful girl." Only correspondents living at a distance were answered, and after a few letters were passed the "girl" would promise to meet her correspondent if the card was forwarded. When this was received illness was feigned and Daniel Schaller, of Orwigsburg, conducted the inspection.

PLAN WOULD LET I. C. C. FIX WAGES

Congress to Be Asked to Em- power Commission.

Representative W. C. Adamson, father of the eight-hour law, after a conference with President Wilson late yesterday, announced that Congress would be asked to increase the Interstate Commerce Commission from seven to nine members. The purpose would be, he said, to bring wage disputes within the scope of the commission.

The chiefs of the four big brotherhoods—Warren S. Stone, W. G. Lee, L. E. Sheppard and W. S. Carter—were leaving the White House from Mr. Adamson arrived. The leaders told President Wilson that they had come to offer congratulations on his re-election and personally to assure him they felt safe with the case in his hands.

The railroad men were with the President less than ten minutes. When they left, Stone, chief of the locomotive engineers, was asked if the vote taken by the unions in August would stand in the event of the eight-hour law is declared unconstitutional.

"We will answer that later," he replied.

The union leaders appeared to have been greatly pleased at the reception accorded them by President Wilson, notwithstanding the unwillingness to talk.

Wants Wage-Fixing Power.

According to Representative Adamson, a feature of the proposed legislation will be an instruction to the commission to construe the commerce act to mean that the rate-fixing body will also have the power to fix wages. An effort will be made to enact the entire program suggested by President Wilson to Congress last August.

Standing on the steps of the White House, Mr. Adamson, who is chairman of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee of the House, characterized the legal steps taken to test the constitutionality of the eight-hour law as "strike suits." His statement was accepted as representing the attitude of the administration concerning the efforts of the railroads to combat the law.

"The railroad's executives are angry because they did not get an increase in freight rates," Mr. Adamson declared. "President Wilson never made any such promise, but the high-priced lawyers are now endeavoring to make it appear that he did."

The Department of Justice took swift and decisive action yesterday to defend the eight-hour law. Kansas City was selected as the battleground for the first skirmish in the courts. Two assistants of the attorney general's office started West last night to meet the attack on the railroad law by the Santa Fe and the Union Pacific railroads.

During the afternoon the brotherhood leaders spent an hour with Attorney General Gregory and Solicitor General Davis, Messrs. Todd and Underwood being also present.

RAILWAY EXECUTIVES WILL TESTIFY FIRST

To Be Heard by Newlands Committee at Hearing Thursday Morning.

The railway executives' advisory committee will testify to the testimony to be taken by the railway committee Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, according to a decision reached by the joint committee in the course of a two hours executive session yesterday afternoon.

As to the discussion of the most practical method of procedure, the committee decided that the best purposes of the hearing would be served to have the railroad executives state their views on the railroad program. The decision was reached unanimously, Chairman Newlands said.

The committee decided also to hold one session each day, lasting from 10 o'clock in the morning until 1:30. No session will be held today because the railroad executives require time in which to prepare their views for presentation, and a session will not be held tomorrow because Representatives Adamson and Enoch who are members of the joint committee must attend a conference on a bill which the last session of Congress did not dispose of.

In outlining procedure, the committee did not undertake to determine who shall be heard after the railroad executives have appeared. Senator Newlands said he was not informed which of the railroad executives will appear first, but that the committee had reached its decision on the assurances that the executives are holding themselves in readiness to appear at the pleasure of the committee.

Some method of preventing strikes without resorting to force will be one of the principal aims of the joint committee, according to Senator Newlands, who characterized the resort to force as "the most barbaric and brutal of processes" and asked aid in finding a substitute.

NEGRESS WITH PISTOL HOLDS UP WHITE MAN

A colored woman, at the point of a gun, held up Roderick J. Henderson at the foot of Thirty-third street last night and robbed him of \$52, according to a report made to the police.

Henderson, who lives at 2713 M street northwest, said he was standing at the foot of the street when a slender negress about 30 years old approached him and at the point of a revolver, demanded his money.

John L. Smith, 412 Sixth street northwest, reported to the police last night that he either lost or was robbed of a pocketbook containing \$55 when in the neighborhood of Fifth and H streets northwest yesterday afternoon.

ALLEGED BRIBERS FREED.